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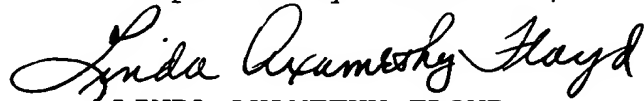
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6,251,646B1	BC-1012	Method for Stabilizing Nitrilase Activity and Preserving Microbial Cells	Ben- Bassat
5,858,736	CR-9886	Preparation of Lactams From Aliphatic, Omega-Dinitriles	DiCosimo
5,814,508	CR-9677	Nucleic Acid Fragments Encoding Stereospecific Nitrile Hydratase and Amidase Enzymes and Recombinant Organisms...	Fallon

Applicants also bring to the attention of the Examiner that the specification refers on page 3 to "JP#4-30663". We are not certain, but based on the punctuation of page 3, lines 5-6, we believe that JP#4-30663 may present information cumulative to that in Kobayashi et al., Proc. Nat. Acad. Sci

(1993)). However, a search of our own records as well as database searches failed to produce a relevant document identified either as JP#4-30663 or variations of this JP application number.

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